

# DARVILL'S NEW TEAM SHAKE WANDERERS

**Chesham United 2, Wycombe Wanderers 1**

**WYCOMBE WANDERERS** were knocked out of the Floodlight Cup at Chesham on Monday night with two goals coming in the second half.

Chesham gave their new manager Barry Darvill a good start to his new post by putting his former club out of the competition.

Both sides were much sharper and more direct than in the first meeting at Loakes Park last Thursday, which ended in a dull and drab goal-less draw.

Young Bob Stephenson made his debut for Wanderers' senior side at right-back while John Pratt got one of his rare outings in goal.

There was little to choose between the two teams in the opening 45 minutes with more goal chances falling in Wycombe's path.

Horseman came close to giving Wycombe the lead when he poked a shot inches the wrong side of a post after Samuels had created the opening.

Towards the end of the first half Chesham came more into the running and looked likely to score first.

They were extremely unlucky on one occasion when Thackeray's shot was hooked off the line by Stephenson.

All the goals materialised in the second half. Chesham took a deserved lead after only six minutes when Merchant crossed strongly and Jones made yards into the box, to send a scorching header past Pratt's right-hand.

Four minutes later Wan-

derers were on terms with an equally sparkling goal. Slater, who had been continually starved of possession, pulled down a clearance from 30 yards and beat Wells with a superb low drive.

At this stage Wanderers threatened to take command of the play but Chesham defended spiritedly keeping the chances to an absolute minimum.

In the 62nd minute Chesham netted the vital winner which puts them through to round three of the tournament.

Reardon cleverly held the ball, as Wycombe raced out to play the offside trap, and then released a neat through pass, which Thackeray streaked onto and beat the advancing Pratt with a low shot into the far corner.

Wanderers tried desperately to hit back but Chesham were equally as determined to hang onto their hard won lead.

However, just before the end Samuels nodded on to Horseman, who hopelessly blazed over from nearly point blank range.

Chesham: Wells; Thackeray, Smith; Perkins, Olson, Dessert; Merchant, O. Brien, Willis, Reardon, Jones.

Wycombe Wanderers: Pratt; Stephenson, Gale; Lailey, Faulkner, Thomas; Worley, Baker, Samuels, Horseman, Slater.